City of Salisbury

North Carolina

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the vitality of our City depends on how safe we keep our homes, neighborhoods, schools, workplaces, and communities, because crime and fear of crime diminish the quality of life for all; and

WHEREAS, crime and fear of crime destroy our trust in others and in institutions, threatening the community's health and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, people of all ages must be made aware of what they can do to prevent themselves, their families, neighbors, and co-workers from being harmed by violence, drugs, and other crime; and

WHEREAS, the personal injury, financial loss, and community deterioration resulting from crime are intolerable and require investment from the whole community; and

WHEREAS, crime prevention initiatives must include and go beyond self-protection and security to promote collaborative efforts to make neighborhoods safer for all ages and to develop positive educational and recreational opportunities for young people; and

WHEREAS, adults must invest time, resources, and policy support in effective prevention and intervention strategies for youth, and teens must be engaged in driving crime from their communities; and

WHEREAS, effective crime prevention programs excel because of partnerships among law enforcement, other government agencies, civic groups, schools, faith communities, businesses, and individuals as they help to nurture communal responsibility and instill pride.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Karen K. Alexander, Mayor of the City of Salisbury, North Carolina DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the month of October 2022 as

NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION MONTH

in Salisbury, and urge all citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, and businesses to invest in the power of prevention and to work together for the common good.

This the 20th day of September 2022.

Karen K. Alexander, Mayor